

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BRUCE KREIKEMEIER; MARV SCHULZ; CRAIG MALSAM; and HECTOR
HAGET, the above-named petitioners, declare that they are citizens of the United
States with post office and resident addresses of 1046 D Road, West Point, Nebraska
68788; 4929 South 90th Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68127; 17914 Shirley Circle, Omaha,
5 Nebraska 68130; and 17914 Pine Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68130, respectively; that
they verily believe themselves to be the original, first, and co-inventors of the subject
matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled
METHOD AND MEANS FOR READING THE STATUS OF AND CONTROLLING
IRRIGATION COMPONENTS described and claimed in the annexed specification; that
they do not know and do not believe that the same was ever known or used in the
United States of America before their invention thereof or patented or described in any
printed publication in any country before their invention thereof, or more than one year
prior to this application; that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of
an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign
10 to the United States of America or an application filed by them or their legal
representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application; that they
have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification
including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in the oath
or declaration; that they acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material
to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal
Regulations 1.56(a); and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this
invention has been filed by them, or their legal representatives or assigns in any country
foreign to the United States of America except as identified below.

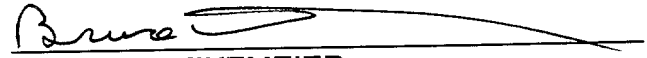
15 None.

And they hereby appoint ZARLEY, McKEE, THOMTE, VOORHEES & SEASE,
Customer No. 22,885, 801 Grand Avenue, Suite 3200, Des Moines, Iowa 50309,
telephone: (402) 392-2280, as their attorneys to prosecute this application and to
transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

20 The undersigned petitioners further declare that all statements made herein of
their own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are
believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge
that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or
imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and
that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application of any
patent issuing thereon.

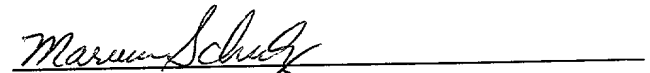
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